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1. A number of motor torpedo boats recently arrived in Albanian waters from Poland and are based in the Vlone area. They are known to be very fast and efficient. [REDACTED] 25X1X
2. Prospecting for all types of minerals has been stepped up wherever possible.
3. Plans are being made for the construction of two electric power stations which are expected to utilize the waters of the Vijose and Drin Rivers.
4. The food situation has improved considerably with the addition of butter, fats, bread of whiter texture and other kinds of farinaceous foods to the ration. Many items such as flour, butter and canned goods are imported by ship from the Black Sea ports of the Soviet Union and Rumania.
5. A noticeable improvement in the clothing situation has also been reported, with the appearance on the open market of considerable quantities of cloth of improved quality.

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that nine torpedo boats were to be transported by Polish and Soviet vessels from Gdynia, Poland, to Vlone. The boats were described as 91 feet long with a beam of 18.5 feet and as having two torpedo tubes. No information has been received reporting the actual delivery of these nine torpedo boats to Albania.

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